(Page 10, para 1.30) Suggested to the Ministry that a doctor or a member of the para medical staff should at least get three promotions in his career; and

(d) if so, the reaction of Government thereafter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) The details of vacant posts as on 30-6-94 are given below:—

Ayurvedic Physicians	4
Homoeopathic Physicians	4
Ayurvedic Pharmacists	4
Homoeopathic Pharmacist	1

(b) Requisition for filling up the posts of Homoeopathic physicians has been sent to U.P.S.C. For filling up the posts of Ayurvedic Physicians and Pharmacists and Homoeopathic pharmacists, action has been initiated.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The proposal is under consideration.

Payment of Overtime Allowance to Chow-kidars of C.G.H.S. South Zone

2901. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Chowkidars working in the CGHS, South Zone, Delhi have not been getting OTA payment since February, 1992;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and reasons therefor; and

(c) by when Government propose to give the OTA payment to the Chowkidars?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C SILVERA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Production of Vitamins

2902. SHRI G.Y. KRISHNAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a shortage of vitamins A, B, C, E, K and Polic Acid in the country after liberalisation of our industrial policy; if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(b) what are the projected requirements of each of these vitamins during the current five year plan, year-wise;

c) what are the names of the manufacturers in the country for such vitamins referred to in part (a) above and their estimated annual production as per statistics available with the Ministry; and

(d) what steps Government have taken or propose to take to make the country self-sufficient by 2000 AD in the production of vitamins referred to above and could be capable of exporting them in the International Market?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

संयुक्त राष्ट्र-अन्तर्राष्ट्रीय बाल आपात कोष की सहायता से स्वास्थ्य कार्यक्रम

2903. श्री दिलीप सिंह जूदेव: क्या स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) देश में विशेषरूप से मध्य प्रदेश में संयुक्त राष्ट्र अन्तर्राष्ट्रीय बाल आपात कोष की सहायता से क्रियान्वित किए जा रहे स्वास्थ्य-कार्यक्रमों का जिला-वार ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ख) गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान इन कार्यक्रमों के अन्तर्गत क्या उपलब्धियां रही है; और

(ग) इस संबंध में आठवीं योजना में क्या लक्ष्य निर्धारित किया गया है?

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (डा० सी० सिल्वेरा): (क) 1992-93 में चलाए गए विश्व बैंक और यूनिसेफ से सहायता-प्राप्त शिशु

जीवन रक्षा और सुरक्षित मातृत्व कार्यक्रम नीचे दिए गए जिलों की अवस्था के अनुसार चरणवार ढंग से मध्य प्रदेश समेत देश के सभी जिलों में कार्यान्वित किया जा रहा है।

वर्ष	शिशु जीवन-रक्षा		सुरक्षित मातृत्व	
	भारत	मध्य प्रदेश	भारत	मध्य प्रदेश
1992-93	51	6	21	4
1993-94	103	10	32	5
1994-95	101	12	51	9
1995-96	98	9	48	13
1996-97	118	8	67	13
योग:	466	45	219	45

(ख) वर्ष 1991-92 से 1993-94 तक के टीकाकरण कवरेज स्तर (प्रतिशतता में) इस प्रकार हैं:—

प्रतिजन	1991-92		1992-93		1993-94	
	भारत	मध्य प्रदेश	भारत	मध्य प्रदेश	भारत	मध्यप्रदेश
क० शिशु						
डी० पी० टी०	90.84	79.04	90.28	79.60	92.84	88.55
ओ० पी० टी०	91.22	79.45	90.88	79.73	93.22	88.61
बी०सी०जी०	92.93	77.56	96.47	84.33	96.68	92.64
खसरा	85.07	78.41	85.75	81.77	88.29	88.81
ख० गर्भवती महिलाएं						
टी० टी०	77.51	73.74	79.40	67.06	82.12	78.53

(ग) इसी योजनावधि के लिए नियत किए गए लक्ष्यों में शिशु और गर्भवती महिलाओं को व्यापक टीकाकरण और स्वास्थ्य सेवाएं सुलभ कराने की व्यवस्था करना है।

Proposal to Ban Amniocentesis

2904. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:
SHRI TRILOKI NATH CHATURVEDI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of indiscriminate amniocentesis by private nursing homes and practitioner* in the country, if so, what is the estimated number of female foetuses being destroyed each year and what steps, including penal steps have been taken and proposed to be taken to stop the degrading practice;

(b) the names of states which have already enacted legislation against amniocentesis; and

(c) whether Government will bring in Central legislation to ban this practice?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. A bill titles Prenatal Diagnostic Techniq (Regulation and Prevention of Misuse Bill 1994) has recently